

CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
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The White House, Washington, D.C.

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NUMBER HERE

1. NAME President John Fitzgerald Kennedy				2. SEX <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE		3. RACE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CAUCASIAN <input type="checkbox"/> NEGROID <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Specify)	
4. STATUS President of the United States				5. LENGTH OF SERVICE (Years and months) 2 years 11 Months		6. AVIATION <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	
7. F. O. B. SERVICE NA		8. RANK/DATE NA		9. CORPS NA		10. BRANCH OF SERVICE NA	
11. PLACE OF BIRTH (City and State or Country) Brookline, Massachusetts				12. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, day and year) May 29, 1917			
13. AGE (Years, months) (Boys, if under 1 year) 46 years 6 months		14. RELIGION Catholic		15. COLOR OF EYES Blue		16. COLOR OF HAIR Auburn	
17. COMPLEXION Ruddy		18. HEIGHT 72"		19. WEIGHT 172		20. NAMES AND SCARS (Record on back of record) 4" scar 2nd, 3rd and 4th lumbar spine 4" scar upper left leg, well healed	
21. FINGERPRINT - STATE WHICH FINGER (Right index preferred)							

22. NAME OF BIRTH OR RECORD (Residence, name and address)

Mrs. John Fitzgerald Kennedy, The White House, Washington, D.C.

23. ADMITTED TO SICK LIST (Date) (If on active duty, last duty station before current admission to sick list)

The White House, Washington, D.C.

24. DATE ADMITTED TO SICK LIST (Month, day, year)

November 22, 1963

25. PLACE OF DEATH

Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, Texas

26. TIME OF DEATH (Month, day, year, hour)

November 22, 1963 1:00 p.m.

27. CAUSE OF DEATH	1. DISEASE OR CONDITION DIRECTLY LEADING TO DEATH. (This does not mean the mode of dying, e.g. heart failure, asphyxia, etc. It means the disease, injury or complication which caused death.)		(a) Gunshot wound, skull	APPROXIMATE INTERVAL BETWEEN ONSET AND DEATH 30 minutes
	2. ANTECEDENT CAUSES. (Morbid conditions, if any, existing prior to above cause (a), stating the underlying cause last.)		DUE TO (b)	
	3. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS. (Conditions contributing to death but not related to the disease or condition causing death.)		DUE TO (c)	

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29. NAME

John Fitzgerald Kennedy

30. SUMMARY OF FACTS RELATING TO DEATH:

President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, while riding in the motorcade in Dallas, Texas, on November 22, 1963, and at approximately 12:30 p.m., was struck in the head by an assassin's bullet and a second wound occurred in the posterior back at about the level of the third thoracic vertebra. The wound was shattering in type causing a fragmentation of the skull and evulsion of three particles of the skull at time of the impact, with resulting maceration of the right hemisphere of the brain. The President was rushed to Parkland Memorial Hospital, and was immediately under the care of a team of physicians at the hospital under the direction of a neurosurgeon, Kemp Clark. I arrived at the hospital approximately five minutes after the President and immediately went to the emergency room. It was evident that the wound was of such severity that it was bound to be fatal. Breathing was noted at the time of arrival at the hospital by several members of the Secret Service. Emergency measures were employed immediately including intravenous fluid and blood. The President was pronounced dead at 1:00 p.m. by Dr. Clark and was verified by me.

31. DISPOSITION OF REMAINS

To the White House, Washington, D.C.

32.

DATE SIGNED November 23, 1963

SIGNATURE

George Gregory Burkley
George Gregory Burkley RADM (MC) USN
Physician to the President (Rank)

33.

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